

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Tomoaki TANAKA et al.

Application No.: New U.S. Continuation Application

Filed: September 22, 2003

Docket No.: 117224

For: DEVELOPING METHOD AND DEVELOPING DEVICE FOR  
ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE, AND PRINTING DEVICE USING THE  
DEVELOPING DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**